Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) An information card, comprising:

a processor within the card;

a memory within the card and coupled to the processor, wherein the memory includes <u>for a user</u> a variety of user information including social security number, driver license information, and bank account information;

an input/output (I/O) component, coupled to the memory and processor, to communicate the variety of user information in a manner detectable external to the card; and

program instructions stored in the memory and executed by the processor to selectably modify the variety of user information, including updating, editing, and deleting, based on <u>instructions from the</u> user input directly to the card.

2.   (Original) The card of claim 1, wherein the I/O component includes I/O components selected from the group of:

a display on the card;

a function key;

a transceiver;

a data port;

an audio input/output;

an optical reader;

a camera; and

a magnetic stripe.

3.   (Original) The card of claim 1, wherein the card includes a biometric identification mechanism.

4.   (Currently Amended) An information card, comprising:

a processor within the card;

a memory within the card and coupled to the processor, wherein the memory includes <u>for a user</u> a variety of user information including social security number, driver license information, and bank account information;

a number of input/output (I/O) components, coupled to the memory and processor, to communicate the variety of user information in a manner detectable external to the card, the number of I/O components including,

a display;

a function key;

a transceiver;

a data port;

an audio input/output;

an optical reader;

a camera;

a magnetic stripe;

program instructions stored in the memory and executed by the processor to selectably modify the variety of user information, including updating, editing, and deleting, based on <u>instructions from the</u> user input directly to the card; and

a biometric identification mechanism coupled to the processor, the memory, and the I/O components.

5.   (Original) The card of claim 4, wherein the function key includes a number of alphanumeric keys and a toggle key to browse menu items presented on the display.

6.   (Original) The card of claim 4, wherein the display includes a touch sensitive display.

7.   (Original) The card of claim 4, wherein the transceiver can transmit the variety of user information wirelessly using a communication technology selected from the group of radio frequency (RF) signaling, infra-red (IR) signaling, cellular technology, bluetooth technology, and microwave technology.

8.   (Original) The card of claim 4, wherein the biometric identification mechanism includes a biometric identification mechanism selected from the group of:
    a hand writing on a touch sensitive display;
    a voice received on the audio input/output;
    a finger print sensor;
    a blood analysis DNA sensor;
    a neural network sensor;
    an odorant sensor; and
    an iris scan.

9.   (Original) The card of claim 4, wherein the variety of user information further includes:
    a membership identification;
    a password;
    a tax identification; and
    a medical record.

10.   (Original) The card of claim 4, wherein the memory includes instructions to cause the transceiver to transmit and receive the variety of user information with an external device.

11.   (Original) The card of claim 4, wherein the memory includes instructions executable upon receiving user selectable input to place information relating to a particular item among the variety of user information on the magnetic strip.

12.   (Original) The card of claim 4, wherein the memory includes instructions executable to update the variety of user information based on input to the number of I/O components.

13.   (Currently Amended) An information card, comprising:
        a processor within the card;
        a memory within the card and coupled to the processor, wherein the memory includes for a user a variety of user information including a social security number, a driver license record, a bank account record, a membership identification, a password, a government record, and a medical record;
        a number of input/output (I/O) components, coupled to the memory and processor; and
        program instructions stored in the memory and executed by the processor to selectably modify the variety of user information, including updating, editing, and deleting, based on instructions from the user input directly to the card.

14.   (Previously Presented) The card of claim 13, wherein the card includes component circuitry to connect a display, a function key, a transceiver, an optical sensor, and a magnetic strip on the card.

15.   (Previously Presented) The card of claim 14, wherein the program instructions includes a set of instructions executable in response to input on the number of I/O components.

16.   (Original) The card of claim 15, wherein the set of instructions are executable to transmit and receive the variety of user information between the card and an external device.

17.   (Original) The card of claim 16, wherein the set of instructions are executable to transmit and receive the variety of user information over a network selected from the group of:

    a wireless network;

    a local area network;

    a wide area network; and

    an internet protocol network.

18.   (Original) The card of claim 13, further including a biometric identification mechanism on the card selected from the group of:

    a hand writing sensor;

    an audio sensor;

    a finger print sensor;

    a blood analysis DNA sensor;

    a neural network sensor;

    an odorant sensor; and

    an eye sensor.

19.   (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium having instructions for causing an information card to perform a method, comprising:

    storing for a user a variety of user information including a social security number, a driver license record, a bank account record, a membership identification, a password, a government record, and a medical record in a memory on the card;

    selectably communicating the variety of user information in a manner detectable external to the card; and

selectably modifying the variety of user information, including updating, editing, and deleting, based on <u>instructions from the</u> user input directly to the card.

20.   (Original) The medium of claim 19, wherein the method includes selectably updating the variety of user information based on user input to a touch screen display.

21.   (Original) The medium of claim 19, wherein the method includes wirelessly receiving the variety of user information from information sources external to the information card.

22.   (Currently Amended) A method for use of an information card, comprising:

storing <u>for a user</u> a variety of user information including a social security number, a driver license record, a bank account record, a membership identification, a password, a government record, and a medical record in a memory on the information card;

selectably communicating the variety of user information in a manner detectable external to the information card; and

selectably modifying the variety of user information, including updating, editing, and deleting, based on <u>instructions from the</u> user input directly to the card.

23.   (Original) The method of claim 22, further including wirelessly transmitting the variety of user information to a device external to the information card.

24.   (Original) The method of claim 22, further including wirelessly transmitting alert signals in a manner detectable external to the information card.

25.   (Original) The method of claim 22, further including wirelessly transmitting control signals to a device external to the information card.

26.   (Original) The method of claim 25, further including wirelessly transmitting control signals to a device selected from the group of:

    a home appliance;

    a lock mechanism; and

    an automobile.

27.   (Original) The method of claim 22, further including wirelessly receiving the variety of user information from a variety of information sources.

28.   (Original) The method of claim 27, further including wirelessly receiving the variety of user information from a variety of information sources selected from the group of:

    a banking database;

    a health database;

    a government database;

    an employment database; and

    an internet connection.